



**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
PATENT -- EXAMINING GROUP 2765  
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 046700-5004-01**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Mark ALAIA et al.

Application No.: 09/311, 557

\* Filed: May 14, 1999

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
CONTROLLING THE INITIATION AND  
DURATION OF OVERTIME  
INTERVALS IN ELECTRONIC  
AUCTIONS (As Amended)

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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In response to the final Office Action dated September 11, 2000 (Paper No. 11), the period for response to which extends through December 11, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 139-141 and 158-160.

Please amend claims 142-144, 146-148, 150, 152-157 and 161-163, 165-167, 169, 171-176 as follows:

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